

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph at page 15, lines 10-15, as follows:

"If a preset maximum number of buffers has been exceeded, the record processor 25 saves the request from the synchronous output exit 70 until the ICR task 240 returns a processed buffer. Otherwise, a buffer is obtained at block 585. The synchronous output exit 70 can asynchronously process output buffers 75, 80 while the ICR task 240 processes multiple input formats to merge the updates to a particular database record (block 580)."